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POLICE FORCE,
(DETECTIVE BRANCH.)

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Sir,

It is reported that on the afternoon of 14th instant the rebels sent a communication to General Yang requesting him to declare independence, and threatening that an attack would be made on the Arsenal if he failed to do so. General Yang replied that he will declare independence but gave no date.

Owing to a report that the rebels intend to attack the Police Stations in Chapel, extraordinary precautions are being taken in that district. On the night of the 13th instant no traffic was allowed on Paoshan Road, the railway gates at the crossing being left open to block that thoroughfare.

It is reported that nine hundred men armed with rifles and two machine guns arrived at Sungkiang from Woosung on the morning of the 14th instant. It is said that these men began to loot on reaching Sungkiang. The local General turned out his troops who restored order. Some of the looters while others ran away. General Yang has given instructions to have the captured men shot.

The Chekiang troops at Fungching are entrenching. General Fong Nan Woo 方 鳳 五 arrived at the Arsenal today from Peking with several valuable presents for General Yang.

It is reported that the Shanghai rebels are trying to organise a national assembly which will meet at No. 203 Avenue Joffre opposite Yah Bing Lee 叶 秉 李 alleyway.

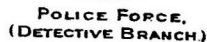
It is reported that the rebels have employed 25 mechanics to repair and put together some rifles which have been smuggled here in pieces. The work is being done in a house in the western part of Frenchtown.

It is reported that the rebels have offered Chapel to Japan as security for a loan which they are trying to arrange.

It is reported that Hupeh has declared independence and that one Li Tien Zai 李 天 宰 has been elected Tutuh of that province.

On the 13th instant the 3rd regiment consisting of four hundred and fifty men left Kiangnan Arsenal for Nanking. They travelled by a transport steamer.





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At 2.30 a.m. 14th instant a shell alleged to have come from the direction of the Arsenal struck a Chinese dyeing shop on Wong Ka Koo 王加古 Road near West Gate.

It is reported that Chen Chi Mei has presented a bill to the rebel headquarters for \$1,300.00 which he maintains he spent in causing two outbreaks of fire in the City on the night of the 12th instant.

Residents from the City and vicinity of the Arsenal are removing to the Settlement.

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Captain Superintendent of Police.